

SCHOOL PROJECT (C-U SRTS PROJECT)

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- The C-U Safe Routes to School Project, along with SRTS programs across the nation, help promote and encourage safe walking and bicycling of students getting to and from school.
- In Illinois, a recent survey showed that almost 40 percent of eight year olds were already overweight.
- ➤ Programs such as C-U SRTS Project, The Center for Disease Control and Prevention is aiming to increase the number of children walking and biking to school from 36 percent to 50 percent by 2010!

The C-U SRTS Project has created a Crossing Guard Appreciation program to recognize the hard work that adults in our community do to help ensure the safety of our children getting to and from school. Schools in Champaign - Urbana can nominate their crossing guard for this appreciation program. Winners are selected each month through the school year and receive a Certificate of Appreciation and a gift card to a local restaurant.

Crossing Guard of the Month!

The role of an adult Crossing Guard is to:

- Help children safely cross the street at key locations;
- Help remind drivers of the presence of pedestrians;
- Help alleviate parental concerns on the safety of their children by having an adult presence;
- And be a good role model for the children still developing the skills necessary to cross streets safely anywhere.



This months' winner is Arlene, who works at Dr. Howard Elementary School.
She was nominated because of her never ending smile, no matter what the weather, and she truly seems to enjoy her job! Thank you Arlene!